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HCC Foundation awards scholarships

HOLYOKE – The Holyoke Community College Foundation has awarded more than \$335,000 in scholarships to students for the 2024-2025 academic year.

This year, the HCC Foundation awarded 388 scholarships to 323 incoming, current, and transferring HCC students. Some students received multiple scholarship awards. The average scholarship award is about \$900.

HCC celebrated this year's recipients at a scholarship reception on May 9.

The HCC Foundation is a 501(c)(3) that works to advance the college's mission, vision, and values. Founded in 1968 as the Friends of Holyoke Community College, in response to a devastating fire that forced the college to rebuild on a new

campus, the Foundation now manages assets of more than \$20 million, the largest community college foundation endowment in Massachusetts.

An alphabetical list of all scholarship recipients and their awards can also be viewed on the HCC website at hcc.edu/scholarships-2024: The following students are Holyoke residents.

Dayshel Allen, Cari Avalone (two awards), Falecia Bagg, Maya Baksh (two awards), Jonathan Benitez, Fatima Bergman, Enely Bonilla (three awards), Dawne Brown, Alvin Carabuena, Luis Centeno, Pablo Cespedes-Ashe, Jalen Cortes, Janiel Cruz, Alajah Devone, William Diaz, Jamie Dunn, Isabella Garbiel-Achorn, Karyna Gaston-Feliciano (two awards), Omarily Gomez, Jolie

Hernandez, Anamaria Ivan, Jay Jackson, Nuriye Kartal (three awards),

Chasidy Kery, Gabe Linares (two awards), Zoey Rane-Shanon Lobello, Kaizer Maximus Lopez, Daneisha Luciano (two awards), Deelayni Melendez (two awards), Jamie Michalski, Melody Nieves, Kearney O'Malley, Naisha Ortiz-Sanchez (two awards), Hilario Peralta Jr., Jose Perez, Rosa Porter, Charlotte Price, Kayla Ramos, Francisco Ramos Colon, Jessika Richards, Camryn Rist (two awards), Erykka Rocha, Leonel Rodriguez, Katelyn Rodriguez, Jomar Rodriguez, Leonel Rodriguez, Carineh Santana (two awards), Gissel Santos, Victoria Smith, Yarelee Sosa, Patrick Sweeney, Kara Torres, Tameka Torres, Brian Torres, Sheyda Westbrook (two awards).